Today I joined several representatives from Condell Medical Center in Libertyville in supporting their Emergency Department expansion and their intent to acquire Level 1 trauma status for the benefit and well being of Lake County residents. Currently, there is no Level 1 Trauma Center located in Lake County. If seriously injured in an accident in Lake County, you are either transported out of the county or across state lines if you require Level 1 Trauma care. With over 700,000 Americans now living in Lake County, it is time for a top notch care center that is only minutes away. Condell's vision for a Level 1 Trauma Center will ensure immediate access to trauma care for all patients throughout Lake County and I applaud them for taking the steps to become Lake County's first and only Level 1 Trauma Center.